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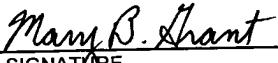
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR2003/001944	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE June 24, 2003	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/518,453
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DEPOSITING CARBON NANOTUBES ... NANOTUBES BY PYROLYSIS		
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